

Minutes of the Village of Arden Registration Committee Meeting April 21, 2022

The Convening Meeting of the 2022 Registration Committee was called to order by Convener Cecilia Vore at 1:00 PM in the Buzz Ware Village Center. Present were returning committee members Cecilia Vore and Marcia Scheflen, newly elected members Rebecca Meick and Steve Tanzer, and retiring member Barbara Macklem. Absent was Elizabeth Varley, who was out of the country.

The first order of business was the election of the 2022 Committee Chairman. Cecilia Vore was chosen by acclamation. She announced her goal for the new year was 'Organize!' To that end we reviewed the duties of the committee throughout the year and procedures and record keeping to accomplish them.

Assignment of areas of responsibility for the coming year were then discussed and resulted in the following:

Welcomes – Steve Tanzer
Fall Election – Elizabeth Varley
March Election – Marcia Scheflen
Secretary – Rebecca Meick
Database/resident records/ webpage – Cecilia Vore

Additional topics covered included:

Recognition of retiring member Barbara Macklem's many contributions.

Representation at the upcoming Special Town Meeting on May 15 concerning use of ARPA funds. Steve will represent the committee. We all hope to attend.

A member to work with Cecilia on record keeping using WordPress. Steve volunteered as he has some experience with that format.

Discussion of ballot mailing for the Fall Budget Referendum and Election of Assessors as a result of the very troublesome mail delivery failures last Fall. In future, committee members will hand deliver ballots directly to the Edgemoor Post Office from which they will be delivered to voters – thus bypassing the printer to bulk mail procedure which failed so utterly.

Cecilia asked Barbara, who is a member of the Governance Committee, to bring to that committee the unsettled question of when or if absentee ballots can be offered as an alternative to actual physical presence at a Village Meeting at which an election takes place.

Business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Marcia Scheflen